

## **DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

[OMB Number 1190-NEW]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection; eComments Requested;
Assessing the Potential Monetized Benefits of Captioning Web Content for Individuals
Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

**AGENCY: Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice.** 

**ACTION: 30-day notice.** 

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Justice (DOJ), Civil Rights Division, Disability Rights Section (DRS), will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register at 81 <u>FR</u> 29577 on May 12, 2016, allowing for a 60-day comment period.

<u>DATES</u>: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for an additional 30 days until [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have additional comments (especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time), suggestions, need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or need additional information, please contact Rebecca B. Bond, Chief, Disability Rights Section, Civil Rights Division, U.S.

Department of Justice, by any one of the following methods: by email at DRS.PRA@usdoj.gov; by regular U.S. mail to Disability Rights Section, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice, P.O. Box 2885, Fairfax, VA 22031–0885; by overnight mail, courier, or hand delivery to Disability Rights Section, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice, 1425 New York Avenue, N.W., Suite 4039, Washington, D.C. 20005; or by phone at (800) 514-0301 (voice) or (800) 514-0383 (TTY) (the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Information Line). Include in the subject line of all written comments the title of this proposed collection: "Assessing the Potential Monetized Benefits of Captioning Web Content for Individuals Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing." Written comments or suggestions can also be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20530 or sent to OIRA\_submissions@omb.eop.gov.

You may obtain copies of this notice in an alternate format by calling the ADA Information Line at (800) 514-0301 (voice) or (800) 514-0383 (TTY).

<u>SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION</u>: Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

 Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; • Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection

of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

• Evaluate whether, and if so, how, the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be

collected can be enhanced; and/or;

• Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond,

including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other

technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g.,

permitting electronic submission of responses.

**OVERVIEW OF THIS INFORMATION COLLECTION:** 

1. Type of information collection: New information collection.

2. The title of the form/collection: Assessing the Potential Monetized Benefits of

Captioning Web Content for Individuals Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing.

3. The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department

sponsoring the collection:

Form Number: None.

Component: The applicable component within the Department of Justice is the

Disability Rights Section (DRS) in the Civil Rights Division.

4. Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:

Affected Public (Primary): Individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing will be asked to respond.

Affected Public (Other): None.

Abstract: DOJ's Civil Rights Division, Disability Rights Section (DRS) is requesting PRA approval of a new collection that would request information about the perceived monetary value of captioning on Web sites from individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing for the purpose of estimating the potential monetized benefits of captioning audio and video content on the Web. DRS is not suggesting that people with disabilities should be asked to pay for captioning; rather, it intends to ask individuals about the theoretical monetary value that they place on the captioning of audio and video Web content in order to estimate how highly they value captioning. The collection will also request additional information about how frequently individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing access audio content on Web sites, what type of audio content they access, how often this content is not captioned, how much additional time (if any) they spend trying to access content or information when the content is not captioned, and whether lack of captioning makes using the Internet more difficult. This information will enhance DRS's ability to monetize the benefits of any captioning requirements imposed by future rulemaking under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing.

5. An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an

average respondent to respond: An estimated 1,070 respondents will complete the

questions. It is estimated that an average of 10 minutes per respondent is needed to

complete the questions. DRS estimates that nearly all of the approximately 1,070

respondents will fully complete the questions.

6. An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: The

estimated public burden associated with this collection is 178 hours. It is estimated that

respondents will take an average of 10 minutes (1/6 of an hour) to complete the

questions. The burden hours for collecting respondent data sum to 178.33 hours (1,070

respondents x 1/6 hours = 178 and 1/3 hours).

If additional information is required contact: Jerri Murray, Department Clearance Officer,

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Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE, 3E.405B, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: October 27, 2016.

Jerri Murray,

Department Clearance Officer for PRA,

U.S. Department of Justice.

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